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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hartmut GRUND, et al.

SERIAL NO: New U.S. PCT Application Based on PCT/EP02/07499

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FOR: BIAXIAL STRETCH TUBULAR FILM WITH FIVE LAYERS FOR THE PACKAGING AND COVERING OF MEAT WITH OR WITHOUT BONES ARE PASTE-LIKE FOODSTUFFS AND USE THEREOF

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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LIST OF RELATED CASES

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